City of Beaverton

BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BAC) MEETING NOTES

6:30 PM Thursday, November 10, 2011Beaverton City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room 4755 Griffith Drive, Beaverton Oregon

Bicycle Advisory Committee webpage: http://www.beavertonoregon.gov/index.aspx?nid=278

Meeting Called to Order at 6:36 PM and began with introductions. In attendance, **BAC Members:** Barbara Chapnick (Chair), Nathan Potter (Vice Chair), Ernie Conway, Sandra Frederiksen, Michael Mulligan, Leslie Ruh, Mary Elizabeth Smith, Richard Walker, Brian Walker; Margaret Middleton (City Staff Liaison), **City Council:** Councilor Betty Bode

No guests present.

Public Participation Statement was read by Nathan Potter.

Michael Mulligan made a motion to approve the October 2011 meeting minutes, Richard Walker seconded the motion. The minutes were approved 9/0/0 (Yes/No/Abstain).

Staff Communications:

Councilor Bode briefed the committee on the approval of the urban renewal measure and the article in the Oregonian [sic]. Discussion followed on the city not going to formally publish the plan until all the contracts are awarded and felt it would take approximately 12 more months to flesh our some details. There was a discussion on the 26-acre mixed-use development being constructed on the corner of Murray Blvd and Jenkins across from the Nike campus. It is called 45 Central (website: http://www.45central.com/index.html) and Councilor Bode had the opportunity to talk to the developer, John O'Neil, vice president of Beaverton-based Metropolitan Land Group, about sustainability, sustainable communities, and quality construction. She offered to have John come and talk to the BAC at one of our meetings. Margaret and Councilor Bode will work to invite John to come to a BAC meeting.

On a related topic Councilor Bode also discussed a book by Howard Frumkin, MD, Dr PH, <u>Urban Sprawl and Public Health: Designing, Planning, and Building for Healthy Communities</u>, and talked about increasing tree planting and city standards for tree planting

Officer Jim Patrick was not present. Margaret Middleton had nothing new to share.

There were no "Visitors" or "New Business" agenda items.

Old Business:

Conducted debrief on the 2011 Bike Beaverton at Schiffler Park event. Margaret Middleton reviewed the BB2011 debrief consolidated notes with the BAC, and the group generally liked the publicity and the family friendly atmosphere. There were mixed reviews on location and the group noted the competitive rider attendance was down. The helmet fitting was excellent but there were coordination problems. The route was good, and the bike corral was good, but there was little

participation with less than 10 users. The bike mechanic from Bike 'n Hike was good, but we needed another mechanic. Bike Gallery was missing due to miscommunication about location.

The bike rodeo was good but disconnected from the overall event. Generally the committee felt that there was too much going on that day. Exposure was good, but event participation was down.

Sponsorship was good but there must be a cycling nexus for any sponsors next year.

Councior Bode and Margret Middleton commented that printing costs and mailing costs drive advertisements; they also felt that we should stay focused on the family friendly aspect of the ride, which the BAC agreed to pursue.

Mary Elizabeth felt the event was saturated and that Bike Beaverton needs to evolve in to a parkway event.

Though the event was a little disjointed at Shiffler Park, the BAC felt it still needs to grow the event before expanding to a parkway. THPRD is also talking about developing a parkway event. Next year the Beaverton Parade is on the first Saturday after Labor Day i.e., 9/8/2012, and the committee desires a two-day celebration. Generally, members felt that they changed too much but family focus was good. It absolutely needs to be at City Park and the committee thinks a September Sunday may be better attended.

Counselor Bode stated that she does not think we need to "simplify" BB but we need to grow the connection to the city and kids, build community, and look where our values are. THPRD focuses on athletic events. We need to consider establishment versus improvements. The discussion then offered maybe leveraging educational aspects of BB, leading to the Bike+Walk initiative, consider a "park to park" route or "school to school" route, and maybe look at a multi event focus on participation.

There was a motion made by Brian Walker to hold BB 2012 on 9/9/12, Barbara Chapnick 2nd, and motion was approved 9/0/0 (Yes/No/Abstain). Several caveats were made requiring coordination with adjacent events and the thought of a celebration "weekend" status, availability of law enforcement, and possible events before and after BB.

The committee then discussed coordination and monitoring of the Action Plan and Beaverton Vision plan. The committee started to look in detail at the action plan and started consolidating accomplishments and next steps. Asked what we need to do to get on the school calendar and how we make in-roads into the Beaverton School District. The committee also looked to maybe partner with Lynne Mutrie who works with the Beaverton School District on the bike and walk to school program. Michael Mulligan was looking into this. Next steps: invite Lynne to a BAC meeting to talk about the Safe Routes to School program. Margaret will contact Lynne.

Committee Communications:

Sandra Frederiksen attended the October THPRD Trails Committee meeting and took a tour of the Fanno trail segment being constructed from 105th to Scholls Ferry Road. She commented that it is about half paved but not contiguous and includes 11 boardwalks, fencing, retaining walls, and existing path widening. The trail currently routes past Scholls at Allen and is planned to be open by Thanksgiving.

The next meetings and BAC representative attendance schedule is as follows:

November: Richard Walker (Ernie Conway had a conflict and traded for April)

December: Nathan Potter
January: Mary Elizabeth
February: Richard Walker
March: Brian Walker
April: Ernie Conway

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 20th (3rd Tuesday). THPRD TAC meeting agendas are posted at: http://www.thprd.org/news/meetings.cfm?id=13

3rd Thursday for Tigard Bicycle Advisor Committee (5:00-6:30 PM) at Tigard City Hall Leslie is attending.

Member Communications:

Brian Walker talked about his conversation with the Albertson's manager at the corner of Hall and Greenburg about the new bicycle racks being installed. Margaret Middleton commented that the city has standards for bike racks.

Margaret Middleton mentioned that we need to get on council agenda to brief them on the BAC annual results. Tentatively planning to brief in February.

The "Your City" article idea for this next newsletter was to rewrite last year's ride visibly article.

The next meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Thursday, December 8, 2011.

Meeting adjourned approximately 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Nathan Potter